

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Solon Tabor, of Rowan county, wants to impose a tax on bachelors.

Brig. Gen. H. G. Filton, a distinguished English officer, has been killed in France.

A proposition to grant independence to the Philippines in four years is said to have the approval of the President.

Thirty-three night riders pleaded guilty at New Madrid, Mo., Tuesday, ending the trials. Several others had been tried and convicted.

The Kentucky delegation voted solidly for the Shackelford Good Roads Bill, which passed the House 281 to 81. Under its provisions Kentucky would receive \$580,274 annually.

Even the tobacco worm finds his champion in the aggregation at Frankfort. Hamilton, of Franklin, has introduced a bill to prohibit the use of paris green or other poisons on tobacco.

The Second District Republicans will meet at Henderson Feb. 28 to select delegates to the Chicago convention. E. T. Franks, of Daviess, and C. H. Wilson, of Union, are mentioned.

Stamp taxes are to be abandoned, and needed additional Federal revenues are to be obtained through a duty on sugar and increased taxes on large incomes. Speaker Champ Clark opposed the stamp taxes.

Minority Leader Mann, in the House, urged nonpartisan support of the plan for preparedness and urged a bigger and better navy. He said he was more afraid of trouble with England than with Germany after the war, but would not explain why.

Senator Frost in the course of some heated remarks Tuesday threw a bouquet to Lieut. Gov. Black by reminding him that he was worth 20,000 votes to the ticket. Senator Frost must be looking out for some tie votes.

The average cost of educating a boy in the Louisville public schools is \$568.20, and of girl \$528.04, according to the Board of Education's report made public. The question that naturally comes up is what makes the handicap of \$40.16 on boys?

R. W. Gifford, who is serving a term for forgery in the jail at Alexandria, was permitted to wed Miss Augusta Wunderlich Monday in the jail. He will not get out until April. His wedding was interrupted by his arrest several months ago at Lexington.

Germany is continuing her efforts to conclude a separate peace with Serbia, according to an Athens correspondent who states that Germany has offered to extend the Serbian boundaries in the direction of Bosnia and Herzegovina and re-establish the kingdom under Austro-German suzerainty, with Prince Eitel Friedrich, Emperor William's second son, on the Serbian throne.

The bill of Representative Perry of Louisville imposing a fine for "untruthful advertising" has passed the House and is a bad bill designed to make trouble for business men. It is hard enough for newspapers to get advertising now in small towns and to handicap the advertiser with threats of prosecution if he states that he has better bargains to offer than his neighbor is a species of vicious, meddlesome legislation that should be hit on the head with a club. It will make the newspaper man's job harder and will do no one any good. What does the boy who goes to the circus care for details after he gets inside of the tent? What if the Roman chariot is a two-wheel cart and the wild man is a Mississippi negro, he has seen the show, had his fun and comes out with a grin on his face.

CLUB WORK PREPARATIONS

Mrs. Graves Will Start The Organization of Poultry Clubs Feb. 15.

NOW TAKING SPECIAL COURSE

Will Need 1,000 White Wyandotte Eggs By Early March.

Mrs. Eloise Graves, who will have charge of the Poultry Club work in Christian county after Feb. 15, is now in Nashville taking a Poultry course at Peabody College. She has been there since January 1st, intending to thoroughly inform herself by the time her active work is to begin. This course will cost her more than \$100, but Mrs. Graves never does things half way and she is determined to fully qualify herself for her new duties, to be carried on in connection with her canning club work.

Names are already being enrolled and the Poultry Improvement Association will gather information as to where eggs can be obtained in large quantities by March and April. By getting White Wyandotte eggs from recognized breeders in 100 to 500 lots, it is believed they can be gotten at 50 to 75 cents a setting. Quotations of single settings at \$1.00 have already been received by Agent Casey. As now planned Mrs. Graves expects to have the clubs going early in March.

Mr. Casey is getting out a letter to mail to the teachers and members are already being enrolled for the clubs. Names may be left with any member of the Poultry Association, with Mr. Casey at the H. B. M. A., or phoned to Mrs. Graves' residence number.

Mr. Casey is not to be in charge of this work, but he has already caught the poultry fever and is going to Lexington in a few days to lecture on poultry at a state meeting.

BIG FIRE SALE OF SHOES

L. R. Ashley Will Close Out His Damaged Stock at Great Bargains.

L. R. Ashley, whose shoe store was damaged by fire on January 4, has re-opened the store and after putting the stock in order is offering great bargains in a Fire Sale to begin today, January 27.

Mr. Ashley's stock was brand new and styles right up-to-date. The fire damaged some of the shoes, but others were injured by water or soiled by smoke. These have been dried out and polished and many are as good as before, but all will go at the sacrifice prices offered in this great bargain sale. It will pay you to look into this opportunity, if you need anything in the line of shoes.

Buys Muhlenberg Pool.

Greenville, Ky., Jan. 26.—W. M. Martin, a local tobaccoist, this week closed a deal with the Muhlenberg County Society of Equity by which he became the purchaser of the pooled crop of tobacco. It is estimated that there is 2,200,000 pounds of the weed in the pool and while the price will depend on the grades, there is a guaranteed price of an average of 5 cents all around. This is half a cent less than the market for last year. Deliveries will begin at once.

NATIVE OF CHRISTIAN.

A. M. Long, a native of this county, died in Madisonville Sunday night of heart trouble. Mr. Long was 60 years old. He is survived by several brothers and one sister, Mrs. E. A. Morris, who resides a few miles east of this city.

FROST BILL KNOCKED OUT

State Senate Votes Down Submission Act by 20 to 14.

HEATED DEBATE OF 4 HOURS

Both Platforms Had Declared in Favor of The County Unit.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 26.—Gov. Stanley's administration won a signal victory yesterday when the senate, by a vote of 20 to 14, defeated the Frost bill for the submission of a constitutional amendment prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. The outcome was a surprise to "dry" adherents, who had been outgeneraled by the opposition.

Action upon the measure followed a debate of more than four hours, marked by bitterness and recrimination. Nearly every senator either made a speech or gave an explanation of his vote, while some did both. Ugly words volleyed across the chamber like machine gun fire on an European battlefield.

Administration supporters denounced "dry" senators as politicians, hypocrites, agitators and bolters. Dry senators, in turn, accused the opposition of taking a stand which would wreck the party and turn Kentucky over to the republicans. They resented with heat the charge that they were "bolting" the platform pledging the party to the county unit.

When the smoke of battle had lifted, the roll call showed the following:

To Submit—Antle, Frost, Glenn, Hiles, Huntsman, Montgomery, Peak, Porter, Salmon, Sanders, Scott, Taylor and Williams—14.

Against Submission—Arnett, Booles, Brock, Clay, Combs, Helm, Hildreth, Huffaker, Knight, Lewis, Leach, Littrell, Moore, Overstreet, Raybroune, Robertson, Speer, Stricklett, Thompson and Trigg—20.

Those not voting: Ford, who is at home, ill; Senator Rogers and Senator Zimmerman.

The defeat of the measure, whose prospects seemed rosy, may be attributed to the planks in both party platforms indorsing the county unit principle. This gave the administration a whip to swing over the heads of senators who placed party regularity ahead of their personal views on the question. The result was that a number of supposedly "dry" senators, representing "dry" constituencies, voted against the bill.

Senator Frost declared that Lieutenant Governor Black, zealous prohibitionist, saved the democratic ticket from humiliating defeat.

"It is to you and to you alone," he averred, turning to the president of the senate, "that we owe democratic success last November, because it was known from one end of the state to the other that you stood for statewide legislation. Had you not been on that ticket the democratic party would have gone down into defeat at the last election by 20,000 votes."

TWO WILL COMPETE.

The oratorical contest for the championship of Western Kentucky schools will be held at Madisonville Feb. 22. So far as known, only two Hopkinsville boys will contend for the honor of representing the local High School. These are Robert Brumfield and Edward Breathitt. The date of the preliminary contest has not been announced.

WELLMAN-SHERRILL.

Mrs. Rhoda Sherrill, widow of the late P. E. Sherrill, of Bennettstown, was recently married to Mr. Frank Dean Wellman, a prominent railroad man of Pasadena, Calif. The information came in a letter to a friend here this week. Mrs. Sherrill moved from this county to California about two years ago.

LECTURE ON YELLOWSTONE

By Wm. B. Leffingwell at Avalon To-morrow Night.

IS FREE TO EVERYBODY

Generosity of T. L. Metcalfe, Owner of Hall, Makes This Possible.

William Bruce Leffingwell, lecturer sent out by the Union Pacific Railroad company, and who lectured here last year, will be here for a return



WILLIAM BRUCE LEFFINGWELL. date tomorrow night. He will give his illustrated lecture on "The Yellowstone National Park," at the Avalon.

This lecture will be absolutely free to everybody, as Mr. T. L. Metcalfe generously furnishes the hall, light and the heat and Mr. Leffingwell is paid by the railroad company.

He is a lecturer of wide note and is thoroughly familiar with his subject. This is not an advertisement of the railroad except that in informing people about the wonderful park it is hoped that tourists will be attracted to it. But at the same time the lecture is full of most valuable information of the most reliable sort, on the many wonders to be found there.

The Avalon, under Mr. Metcalfe's generous offer of its free use to any worthy public gathering, has become justly popular. It is now being used three nights in a week, for the night school conducted by Profs. Marion, Koffman and Edwards. The Christian County Medical Society and other bodies recognize it as their official place of meeting.

PEMBROKE STORE BROKEN OPEN

Thieves Effect Entrance by Sawing Bars in a Rear Window.

The mercantile establishment of Mr. S. A. Powell at Pembroke, was broken open Tuesday night. Entrance was effected by sawing the iron bars in a rear window. Much of the stock was scattered over the floor of the building and the indications were that considerable merchandise was taken. Blood hounds from Springfield, Tenn., were brought to Pembroke yesterday morning, in an effort to trace the guilty party or parties.

TOTAL ECLIPSE FEB. 3.

A total eclipse of the sun is scheduled to take place Feb. 3. When the moon passes between the sun and the earth on this day, a shadow 50 to 100 miles in diameter will be cast which will travel over a space 9,000 miles in length. The shadow will begin far out into the Pacific ocean, traveling in a northeasterly direction. The shadow will touch land about 200 miles south of Panama and will cross portions of Colombia and Venezuela.

In this latitude about three-tenths of the sun will be obscured. The eclipse will be visible here through smoked glasses about 9 o'clock. About this time a small portion of the sun will be touched by the moon. The eclipse will end at 11 o'clock.

SON OF A PIONEER

Passes Away at The Great Age of Eighty-nine Years.

WAS BORN IN CHRISTIAN CO.

James M. Cayce, One of County's Oldest Men, Falls Asleep.

Mr. Jas. M. Cayce died at his home a few miles South of town Monday night, aged 89 years. Senility was the cause, his health having been growing more feeble for some time from extreme age.

Mr. Cayce was born near where he spent his entire life, in 1827, and was one of the county's best known and most substantial citizens.

During his long life he enjoyed the respect and esteem of his neighbors and was an upright man and a consistent member of the Christian church. His membership was in Liberty church, of which he was always a leading member and foremost in all affairs of his church and the community in which he lived.

He is survived by his wife and two sons, J. W. Cayce and E. C. Cayce, also two step-children, R. S. Lindsay, and Mrs. Columbus Gregory.

Funeral services were held at the family residence yesterday morning by Rev. J. S. Hawkins and the burial was in the Montgomery Adams graveyard near by.

Mr. Cayce was widely connected with many of the prominent families of the county and was in every respect a useful and highly esteemed citizen.

BOARD RE-CONVENES.

The county board of Supervisors re-convened this week and will be in session for several days, and will hear complaints by property owners whose assessments have been increased.

HOG CHOLERA PREVENTION

Will be Considered in Meeting to be Held at Lexington Feb. 9.

The third annual conference on hog cholera will be held at Lexington Feb. 9 with the following program of addresses:

9 A. M.
Dr. James McKee, presiding.
"Influence of the Simultaneous Method on Breeding Function of the Pure Bred Herd."—E. S. Good, Experiment Station, Lexington, Ky.
"Method of Immunization Practiced in My Own Herd."—L. R. Huffman, Centerville, Ky.

"The Work of the Kentucky Experiment Station in the Control of Hog Cholera."—Joseph H. Kastle, Director of the Experiment Station, Lexington, Ky.

Address—Mat Cohen, Commissioner of Agriculture, Frankfort, Ky.

"The Relation of the Veterinarian and County Agent to the Control of Hog Cholera."—S. F. Musselman, State Veterinarian, Frankfort, Ky.

2 P. M.

"The Work of the County Agents in Hog Cholera Control."—Fred Mutchler, Supt. of Extension Work, College of Agriculture, Lexington, Ky.

"Control of Hog Cholera in Henderson County."—A. B. Niven, Inspector in Charge, Bureau of Animal Industry, Henderson, Ky.
"Feeding Methods as Related to Control of Hog Cholera."—Frank McKee, Versailles, Ky.

Discussion—H. C. Partee, Lexington, Ky.

Address—J. W. Connaway, Columbia, Mo.

Athens, Ga., has dedicated a new \$80,000 chapel of First Christian church.

BRITISH MEET WITH DEFEAT

Driven Back From Kut-El-Amara by Turks and Three Thousand Are Killed.

TRUCE TO BURY THEIR DEAD

Vienna Declares There Has Been No Resumption of Fighting in Montenegro.

London, Jan. 26.—If reports from Turkish headquarters are exact, the British in Mesopotamia suffered a somewhat severe reverse in their endeavor to reach the besieged town of Kut-El-Amara. Twenty miles east of Kut-El-Amara the Turks drove the British several miles and the British left on the field about 3,000 dead. The Turkish losses are declared to have been comparatively slight.

It was after this fight, which lasted six hours, that General Aylmer is declared to have requested and obtained a truce of one day in order that the dead might be buried.

The British advancing from Minetti, on the Shatt-El-Hai river, south of Kut-El-Amara toward Konra, also were compelled to retreat before a Turkish attack, says the report, leaving 100 men dead.

The British reverse at the hands of the Turks, however, is somewhat offset by the Turkish losses in battles with the Russians in the neighborhood of Erzerum. A news agency dispatch from Petrograd asserts that, apart from the casualties in actual battle the Turks lost fifty officers and 4,000 men taken prisoners and also scores of machine guns and quantities of munitions captured.

Aside from the usual bombardment, mining operations and aeroplane raids, little fighting is going on in any of the other theaters of the war.

Vienna asserts that there has been no resumption of hostilities in Montenegro. The king of the Montenegrins, with his family, has arrived in Lyons, France. The disarming of the Montenegrin army, according to Austrian dispatches, is progressing without interruption and without resistance.

Allied airmen have again dropped bombs on Monastir and Givogoll, and a hundred persons are estimated to have been killed or wounded in the latter town. The Germans, on their part, have dropped explosives from aircraft on Dunkirk, where five persons were killed, and on the aerodrome at Nancy and factories in Bacarat.

While no battles of importance have been reported from the Russian front, Vienna says the Russians have shelled several sections of their line and that they are actively reconnoitering. Unofficial advices from Petrograd say the recent successes of the Russians have brought them to within less than three miles of the town of Pinsk in Volhynia.

The British military service bill is making fast progress in the house of lords after its passage by the house of commons. The upper house passed the second reading of the measure without division.

AGED SHAKER DIES

Oldest Member of Fast-Dwindling Colony Passes at Age of 92 Years.

Harrodsburg, Ky., Jan. 26.—Sister Susan Murry, the oldest member of the fast-dwindling colony of Shakers, died at Shakertown Saturday after a short illness of grip. She was born in Bullitt county ninety-two years ago. Only four Shakers survive. Funeral services were held at Center House, Sunday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. R. N. Simpson, pastor of the Christian church at Harrodsburg. The interment was in the old Shaker cemetery.